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FM AMEMBASSY PHNOM PENH

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 2747

INFO USLO PEKING IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY CANBERRA IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY SAIGON

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SUBJECT: ACCREDITATION OF CHHUT CHHOEUR, GKR AMBASSADOR
DESIGNATE TO AUSTRALIA

REF: PHNOM PENH 8858

1. I HAD A FURTHER OPPORTUNITY AUGUST 26 TO TALK WITH
AUSTRALIAN AMBASSADOR MARSHALL JOHNSTON ON THE CHHUT
CHHOEUR ACCREDITATION PROBLEM AND RELATED MATTERS.

2. JOHNSTON SAID THAT HIS AUGUST 25 MEETING WITH LONG
BORET HAD GONE AS WELL AS COULD BE EXPECTED, WITH BORET
SPEAKING MORE IN SORROW THAN IN ANGER AND IN A
GENTLEMANLY AND AMIABLE TONE. AS A RESULT OF THE MEETING,
JOHNSTON IS ASKING CANBERRA TO RECONSIDER ITS DECISION,
WHICH HE PRIVATELY BELIEVES WAS TAKSS HASTILY AND WITHOUT
ADEQUATE CONSULTATION WITHIN EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.

3. CONCERNING THE PEKING ANGLE JOHNSTON STATED THAT
AMBASSADOR FITZGERALD WAS UNSUCCESSFUL IN HIS RECENT
EFFORTS TO BE RECEIVED BY PENN NOUTH BUT IS ALSO
ASKING TO BE RECEIVED BY SIHANOUK AND MAY SUCCEED.
JOHNSTON DID NOT COMMENT ON THE PURPOSE OR CONTECT OF
FITZGERALD'S PROPOSED APPROACH.

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